(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Unemployment ratio

†1030. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that proportion of unemployment has been going up whereas the proportion of job opportunities has been declining in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) what effective steps have been taken by Government for providing employment to the educated, uneducated, skilled and unskilled youth in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) and (b) As per the estimates available from labour force surveys carried out by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO), estimated unemployment rate as percentage of total labour force which was of the order of 1.90% during 1993-94 has marginally gone up to 2.23% during 1999-2000. At the same time estimated work force in the country which was of the order of 374 million during 1993-94 has gone up to 397 million during 1999-2000.

(c) Government is implementing special programmes for eradication of poverty and generation of employment. These include Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SJGSY), Jawahar Gram Smriddhi Yojana (JGSY), Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS). Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) and Food for Work Programme. Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) is also being implemented to provide employment opportunities to educated unemployed youth.

Employment status

1031. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people getting employment during the last five years, year-wise, sector-wise and State-wise;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) how many employees are going out of employment other than for natural reasons like death and superannuation for the last five years, State-wise, sector-wise, and year-wise; and

(c) the number of additional employment added every year during the last five years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) and (c) Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) from time to time. Estimated employment for major States and All India during 1993-94 and 1999-2000 for organised and unorganized sector is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) Information on employees going out of employment other than for natural reasons like death and superannuation is not maintained.

Statement

Employment in organized and unorganized sectors for major States and All India

Sl. No.	Major States	1994 (in thousand)			2000 (in thousand)		
		Total Employment	Organised Sector	Unorganised Sector	Total Employment	Organised Sector	Unorganised Sector
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	35899	1877.7	34021.3	36148	2071.6	34076.4
2	Assam	8075	1069.3	7005.7	9357	1084.5	8272.5
3	Bihar	31328	1701.3	29626.7	36437	1613.9	34823.1
4	Gujarat	19233	1701.7	17531.3	22931	1690.3	21240.7
5	Haryana	6528	631.9	5896.1	7159	651.6	6507.4
6	Karnataka	22166	1530.4	20635.6	23599	1863.3	21735.7
7	Kerala	11437	1198.1	10238.9	12444	1209.8	11234.2
8	Madhya Pradesh	31634	1676.8	29957.2	34424	1593.7	32830.3
9	Maharashtra	37933	3766.2	34166.8	41241	3759.8	37481.2
10	Orissa	14155	794.3	13360.7	14981	797.9	14183.1
11	Punjab	8073	833.5	7239.5	9885	845.8	9039.2

1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8
12	Rajasthan	21897	1223.7	20673.3	23212	1275.7	21936.3	
13	Tamil Nadu	28430	2381.5	26048.5	28895	2524.5	26370.5	
14.	Uttar Pradesh	54238	2656.7	51581.3	58924	2552.7	56371.3	
15	West Bengal	26639	2332.1	24306.9	28237	2352.3	25884.7	
	All Major States	**357665**	**25375.2**	**332289.8**	**387950**	**25887.4**	**362062.6**	
	All India	**374450**	**27374.8**	**347075.2**	**397000**	**27959.7**	**369140.3**	

Wage ceiling coverage

1032. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to enhance the wage ceiling coverage for medical and social security benefits provided to the Central Government employees;

(b) if so, the proposal mooted in this regard; and

(c) how many of the recommendations, made by the ESI panel in this regard, has been considered by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government has set up a Committee on 27.8.2002 under the Chairmanship of Shri M.C. Verma to review the working of Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC). The Committee has, *inter-alia*, recommended enhancement of wage ceiling for coverage under the ESI Scheme from Rs. 6,500/- p.m. to Rs. 9,000/- per monsth. The Committee has made a comprehensive study of the ESI scheme and suggested measures for implementation which have to be examined by the ESI Corporation.

Legislation for unorganised workers

1033. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to enact legislation for unorganised sector workers keeping in view of the recommendations made by Second National Labour Commission in this regard;